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# Duxbury student seriously injured in New York

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A college student from Duxbury was seriously injured trying to break up a fight in Oneonta, New York over the weekend.

Greg Polcari, of Prior Farm Road, was hurt as he tried to separate two men fighting outside a bar early Saturday morning, according to Oneonta Police Chief Joe Redmond.

Around 2:10 a.m., Peresse Jackson, 22, and an unidentified man were having an argument when Polcari tried to step in and calm things down.

"Mr. Polcari may have tried to be the mediator," Redmond said.

After the two men were separated, Jackson circled around a few people and came back to Polcari, according to police.

"He went up and punched Greg in the face, breaking his nose and knocking him down," Redmond said.

Polcari fell down a few steps and hit the back of his head on a landing, injuring his head. He was taken to a local hospital, A.O. Fox Memorial, before being flown to Albany



Greg Polcari, a DHS graduate and Hartwick College student, was seriously injured on Saturday morning, although he is reported to be recovering.

Medical Center, according to a statement from Hartwick.

A spokeswoman at Albany Medical Center confirmed that Polcari was there, but declined to provide any further information.

A statement from Hartwick's president, Dr. Margaret Drugovich, said the family had told the college Polcari was making progress in the hospital. Redmond also said he had heard the young man was recovering. Efforts to reach the Polcari family for comment

were unsuccessful.

"Please join me in extending our thoughts and prayers to Greg and the Polcari family at this difficult time," Drugovich wrote. "The college offers our support to his family and friends, and we look forward to Greg's full and speedy recovery."

Jackson was arrested at the scene and charged with second degree assault, Redmond said. He is being held at the Otsego County jail on \$15,000 bail or \$30,000 bond.